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UNAUTHORIZED USE OF AN INFORMATION PROCESSING
DEVICE
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese application. A partial English translation of the Japanese Office Action of July 29, 2008, follows:

- Claims: 1–17
- Cited Examples: 1, 2
- Remarks:

Cited Example 1 describes a mobile telephone terminal wherein one pair of keywords selected at random from a plurality of keywords and passwords stored in advance is displayed on a display unit, a user that has seen the display utters the password that is paired with the keyword, and based on the results of voice recognition of that utterance, discriminates the match between the password uttered by the user and the password corresponding to the keyword that was displayed, to authenticate the person of the terminal user to unlock a function lock state.

Cited Example 2 describes a system that performs personal authentication wherein a given word among a plurality of words is displayed to a party to be authenticated, and the voiceprint of an utterance of that word displayed to the party to be authenticated is analyzed.

List of Cited Literature

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2002-312318

2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2002-304379

Record of Prior Art Literature Search Results

· Fields Searched	IPC	G06F	1/00
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This record of prior art literature search results does not constitute a reason for rejection.

Document E1 is a U.S. counterpart of Document E2.

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Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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